



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

PATENT

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First Named Inventor: Robert S. Chau  
Examiner's Name: Vu, Quang D.  
Art Unit: 2811  
Attorney Docket No.: 42390.P4222D3

- ☐ An Amendment After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) is attached and applicant(s) request expedited action.
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- ☐ Applicant(s) claim small entity status (37 CFR 1.27).

ATTACHMENTS

- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Amendment/Response with respect to Office Action
- ☐ Amendment/Response After Final Action (37 CFR 1.116) (reminder: consider filing a Notice of Appeal)
- ☐ Notice of Appeal
- ☐ RCE (Request for Continued Examination)
- ☐ Supplemental Declaration
- ☐ Terminal Disclaimer (reminder: if executed by an attorney, the attorney must be properly of record)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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- ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

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